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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Eighth United States Army Command Policy Letter # 21 -- Off Post Housing Flooding Risk Assessment.

- 1. Purpose: To ensure that all EUSA soldiers and family members living off U.S. installations have a flood related risk assessment conducted on their quarters.
- 2. Background: Monsoon rains from tropical typhoons moving through the Korean peninsula have the potential to cause injury, loss of life, significant property/equipment damage and major localized flooding. The monsoon season normally runs from 1 June through 30 September of every year.
- 3. Discussion: The quality and location of housing occupied by EUSA personnel and their family members varies greatly throughout the peninsula. In order to mitigate the potential for loss of life and property the following actions will be taken:
- a. EUSA MSC Commanders are responsible for ensuring that family members are briefed annually and understand their responsibilities during Destructive Weather (DW) events. Additionally EUSA MSC Commanders will ensure that a flood risk assessment is conducted prior to the start of the annual monsoon season on ALL off post quarters that are occupied by EUSA soldiers, family members, civilian employees and their families, regardless of command sponsorship status.
- b. 19th TSC will incorporate a flood risk assessment into housing approval checklists as a priority discriminator for approval.
- c. 8th PERSCOM (1RC) and 2ID (Warrior Replacement Center) will ensure that all new soldiers are briefed on the hazards associated with the annual monsoon season and flooding risks.
- d. EUSA NEO Wardens will discuss the potential DW hazards with family members during NEO's inprocessing and exercises. Emphasis will be placed on potential off-post living area hazards, access to US installations during a DW event and personnel accountability.

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4. I am committed to ensuring a safe living environment for all members of the EUSA family and demand the same commitment from my subordinate commanders and leaders at all levels. We must be proactive and vigilant in our efforts to mitigate the risks associated with the monsoon season to protect the lives of our soldiers and their families.

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